

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows, substituting any amended claim(s) for the corresponding pending claim(s):

- 1 1. (Previously Presented) A placemat, comprising:
2 a placemat body including:
3 a major portion sized to completely underlie a place setting including a plate
4 and silverware; and
5 a coaster extension projecting from a peripheral edge of the major portion and
6 sized to completely underlie a beverage container.

- 1 2. (Original) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the size of the major portion is not
2 substantially larger than necessary to completely underlie a place setting.

- 1 3. (Original) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the coaster extension is integrally
2 formed with the major portion.

1 4. (Original) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein a shape of the coaster extension is
2 consistent with a theme conveyed by a shape of the major portion.

1 5. (Original) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein any graphic content on the coaster
2 extension is consistent with a theme conveyed by graphic content on the major portion.

1 6. (Previously Presented) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the major portion has
2 a height of approximately 12–14 inches.

1 7. (Previously Presented) The placemat as set forth in Claim 6, wherein the major portion has
2 a width of approximately 18–24 inches.

1 8. (Previously Presented) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the major portion has
2 a width of approximately 18–24 inches.

1 9. (Previously Presented) The placemat as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the minor portion
2 projects from an upper, right periphery of the major portion.

Please add the following new claims:

1 10. (Newly Added) A placemat, comprising:

2 a major body portion sized to completely underlie a place setting, the place setting consisting
3 of a plate and utensils; and

4 a coaster extension projecting from a peripheral edge of the major body portion and sized to
5 completely underlie a beverage container,

6 wherein the major body portion and the coaster extension are integrally formed.

1 11. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 10, wherein the placemat is reversible and
2 may be employed while resting on a first surface or while resting a second surface opposite the first
3 surface.

1 12. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 10, wherein the coaster extension projects
2 from an upper, right or upper right peripheral edge of the major body portion when the placemat rests
3 on a first surface and from an upper, left or upper left peripheral edge of the major body portion
4 when the placemat rests on a second surface opposite the first surface.

1 13. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 10, wherein the placemat is reversible, and
2 wherein,

3 when the placemat rests on a first surface, the coaster extension projects from position
4 between a center of an upper peripheral edge of the major body portion and a center of a right
5 peripheral edge of the major body portion, and

6 when the placemat rests on a second surface opposite the first surface, the coaster extension
7 projects from position between the center of the upper peripheral edge and a center of a left
8 peripheral edge of the major body portion.

1 14. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 10, wherein the major body portion has a
2 first shape and the coaster extension has a second shape.

1 15. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 14, wherein the second shape is identical
2 to but smaller than the first shape.

1 16. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 14, wherein the second shape is different
2 from but complementary to the first shape.

1 17. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 14, wherein the first and second shapes are
2 common geometric shapes.

1 18. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 14, wherein the first shape represents a first
2 object and the second shape represents a second object different from the first shape.

1 19. (Newly Added) The placemat according to claim 14, wherein the first and second shapes are
2 common geometric shapes.

1 20. (Newly Added) A reversible placemat, comprising:
2 a body adapted for use regardless of whether the placemat rests on either a first surface or a
3 second surface opposite the first surface, the body including:
4 a first portion having a first shape and sized to completely underlie a place setting,
5 the place setting consisting of a plate and utensils; and
6 a second portion having a second shape, projecting from a peripheral edge of the first
7 portion and sized to completely underlie a beverage container,
8 wherein the second portion projects from an upper right peripheral edge of the first portion
9 when the placemat rests on the first surface and from an upper left peripheral edge of the first portion
10 when the placemat rests on the second surface.